

Poultry Papers to Cornell University

In late May, 2009, I did some genealogical research at the Carbondale Historical Society for John Cawley of Ithaca, NY. He became a member of the Historical Society. I noted that his e-mail address is jhc38 @cornell.edu. From his general presentation of self, it seemed quite clear that he has an academic affiliation of some kind at Cornell (as it turns out, he is an Associate Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management there). I sent him an e-mail on June 16th and asked him if he could provide me with the contact information for the poultry people at the Cornell University Library. The follow-up on that request is given hereafter.

07-28-09: Left home at about 10:30 A.M. and by 12:30 P.M. I was at Cornell. It's about 100 miles one way. Very easy drive up Route 81 and then 97 West to Ithaca. Beautiful campus, on top of a hill. I am very pleased that Cornell is interested in these exhibition poultry papers of mine for its archives. Judy Wayno is a nice lady, and she was delighted by my generosity. We carefully placed the 721 issues of *Poultry Press* (16,918 pages of microfilming) + the 14 rolls of microfilm + a box of miscellaneous poultry periodicals and poultry ephemera on a table outside the Library Director's office—and that was that. When the director returns from vacation, I will probably receive a letter of acknowledgement for my bequest which, said Judy Wayno, "will enrich significantly the already substantial holdings of the Library in the poultry area."

Robert Powell wrote:

> 06-16-2009

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> John:

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> We received an e-mail from you today and there was no message therein.

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> Possibly the reply form/message was sent in error?

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> While I have you on the line, so to speak, I have a large collection
> of exhibition poultry publications that should be in the archives of
> Cornell University. Would it be possible for you to provide me with
> the contact information of a couple of people with whom I should speak
> about donating this collection to the library there?

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> [In addition to being very involved with my local historical society,
> I am also a licensed judge of exhibition poultry by the American
> Poultry Association and served as a director of that association for
> many years.]

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> Your help will be much appreciated.

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> Sincerely,

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> S. Robert Powell

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Hi Robert,

I found out the person in charge of book donations here (Judy Wayno, whose email is JEW24@cornell.edu) and have emailed her to ask that she contact you about your donation. Thanks - that's very generous of you!

I used the Carbondale Historical Society's online form to send that email, so that part of your webpage is apparently malfunctioning. I suggested that you add a "lifetime" membership option, so people can just pay once, and also requested that you set up a PayPal account so we can pay our membership dues online (and more easily).

Thanks again for your help with the death records!

best regards,

John

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Robert Powell

From: Robert Powell [info@CarbondaleHistorical.org]
Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2009 5:03 PM
To: John H. Cawley [jhc38@cornell.edu]
Subject: Poultry publications / Historical Society

06-17-09

John:

Thank you (1) for your suggestions about the Historical Society's webpage, and (2) for having opened the door, so to speak, to the poultry collection specialists at Cornell University.

Best regards,

S. Robert Powell

6/17/2009

> Hi Judy,

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> I am emailing you to put you in contact with S. Robert Powell, who told
> me that he has a large collection of exhibition poultry publications
> that he would like to donate to Cornell. I called Mann library and they
> told me that you are the person in charge of gift books, so I would be
> grateful if you would help Robert (who is cc'd on this email) with this
> matter.

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> best regards,

> John Cawley

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> John Cawley

> Associate Professor

> Department of Policy Analysis and Management

> Cornell University

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> Ithaca NY 14853

> Office: 607-255-0952

> Email: JHC38@cornell.edu

> Webpages:

> www.johncawley.com

> www.economicsofobesity.com

> Hello John,

I am out on vacation until June 22, so I will be in touch with Robert when I return. I am copying Linda Stewart (poultry selector) on this email to alert her as well.

It would be very helpful if you had a list of the publications, as we would like to check our holdings to see what is already in the collection before accepting any large collections. Any information you could give us in advance would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you both for thinking of us.

Judy

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At 04:18 PM 6/22/2009, you wrote:

Ms. Judy Wayno
Cornell University Library

Dear Ms. Wayno:

Your colleague, John Cawley, provided me with your name and contact information when I mentioned to him the possibility of my donating to Cornell some poultry publications in my collection.

What I have are 721 issues of *Poultry Press*, from the period 1943-2000. These materials are in two formats: (1) the original paper copies, all in good condition and presently in archival storage conditions here at the Historical Society, and (2) microfilm (14 rolls, professionally produced, 35 millimeter silver archival microfilm).

After I had these materials microfilmed a few years ago, I did a few promotional mailings to libraries and agricultural archives to announce the availability of the microfilm edition of these papers. A copy of the electronic version of one of those promotional mailings (which contains a complete and exact list of the materials in question) is attached to this email.

My primary concern with regard to these 721 issues of *Poultry Press* is to preserve this astonishing archive of exhibition poultry history as primary research material for present and future generations of poultry and agricultural historians.

To that end, I am prepared to donate to Cornell University the original paper copies and/or the microfilm originals of the 14 rolls of silver archival microfilm that was produced for me of these 721 issues of *Poultry Press* by Microfilm Data Management Consultants, Wilkes-Barre, PA.

If I can provide you with any additional information about the proposed donation of these materials to Cornell University, I shall be pleased to do so.

Sincerely,

S. Robert Powell

Poultry publications to Cornell from Powell

Monday, June 22, 2009 4:18 PM

From: srp18407@yahoo.com

To: JEW24@cornell.edu

Cc: JHC38@cornell.edu

Message contains attachments

Poultry History Now Available on Microfilm.doc (51KB)

06-22-2009

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Cornell University Library

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If I can provide you with any additional information about the proposed donation of these materials to Cornell University, I shall be pleased to do so.

Sincerely,

S. Robert Powell

Poultry publications to Cornell from Powell

Wednesday, June 24, 2009 4:16 PM

From: "Judy Wayno" <jew24@cornell.edu>

To: srp18407@yahoo.com

Dear Mr. Powell,

Please forgive my tardy response to your generous offer to donate your poultry publications to Cornell. We are very interested, and are currently exploring storage and space issues in order to accommodate the collection. As soon as we know a little more, I will be back to you.

Thank you very much for this kind offer.

Kind regards,
Judy

Your Poultry Collection

Wednesday, July 8, 2009 3:11 PM

From: "Judy Wayno" <jew24@cornell.edu>

To: srp18407@yahoo.com

Cc: "Marty Schlabach" <mls5@cornell.edu>, "Linda Stewart" <lgs1@cornell.edu>, "John H. Cawley" <jhc38@cornell.edu>, "Joy Paulson" <jp243@cornell.edu>

Dear Mr. Powell,

Please accept our apologies for taking so long to get back to you regarding your poultry publications. We would be most pleased and grateful to receive both the original paper copies AND the microfilm copies of your collection.

I assure you we will provide a good home to your collection. Since I am not sure from where you are writing, would you be bringing the collection to Mann Library or would you be sending it via postal service or some other carrier? If the latter, please send everything to my attention:

Judy Wayno
Albert R. Mann Library
Tower Road
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York 14853

Please let me know if you need more detailed information or directions to the library.

Many thanks and kind regards,

Judy

*This is very
good news,
and I am
very
pleased.*

PO Box 1371
Kingston, PA 18704

Date	Invoice #
5/18/2004	20898

Carbondale Historical Society
Attn: Mr. Robert Powell
PO Box 151
Carbondale, PA 18407

P.O. No.	Terms	Account #	Project
	Net 10		

Qty	Description	Rate	Amount
	35MM Microfilming of "The Poultry Press" 10/1943 to 11/2000		
16,918	Pages Filmed	0.29	4,906.22
14	Duplicate Silver Rolls	22.50	315.00
<p>SRP# 371, 6/1/04</p> <p># 5221.22</p>			

Thank you for your business.

Subtotal	\$5,221.22
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Sales Tax (6.0%)	\$0.00
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Total	\$5,221.22
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Poultry Press (originals and microfilm) from Powell

Monday, July 13, 2009 2:17 PM

From: "S. Powell" <srp18407@yahoo.com>

To: "Judy Wayno" <jew24@cornell.edu>

Cc: "Marty Schlabach" <mls5@cornell.edu>, "Linda Stewart" <lgs1@cornell.edu>, "John H. Cawley" <jhc38@cornell.edu>, "Joy Paulson" <jp243@cornell.edu>

07-13-09

Dear Ms. Wayno:

It pleases me very much to know that the Albert R. Mann Library at Cornell University is interested in receiving the *Poultry Press* original paper copies (721 issues) and microfilm from my collection.

I am not yet certain of the date, but one day soon, surely before the end of July, I will drive up to Ithaca with these materials. A couple of days before I drive up (from Carbondale, PA--in the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre area) I will contact you again to let you know my proposed travel plans.

Sincerely,

S. Robert Powell
570-282-0385

Poultry Items

To: "Duff H. S. Wehle" <dhswehle@aol.com>

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2009 8:50 PM

Duff:

I have a modest collection of poultry periodicals, publications, and miscellaneous poultry papers (some items quite rare, perhaps; others, not so rare, probably) that is looking for a new home.

Would the museum at Mumford be interested in receiving these items? If so, I would be happy to donate them to the archives there.

Best regards,

Robert

Poultry Items

DHSWhele@aolcom

Friday, July 17, 2009, 5:01 P.M.

Hi Robert—

Good to hear from you.

The museum in Mumford is going through a transition as it works to meet the requirements for accreditation by the AAM. Until that process is complete and its mission, facilities, and funding are on firm ground I cannot in good conscience recommend that you donate your poultry materials. I, too, am in the same boat. My backup recipient is Mann Library at Cornell University. Thanks in large part, I'm sure, to Dr. Rice, Mann already has a very good collection of poultry books, journals, and the like; being part of the state system, its resource materials are available to anyone.

Hope all is well with you. I miss the hands-on chicken world. I'm off to Kenya

Cheers,

Duff

Mann Library at Cornell

Monday, 07-20-09, 6:14 P.M.

Duff:

Thanks for your quick and frank reply to my inquiry about poultry materials.

The Mann library at Cornell sounds like a very good option.

Bon voyage (to Kenya).

Robert

Poultry Papers to Cornell

Saturday, 07-25-09, 6:35 P.M.

Dear Ms. Wayno:

Tuesday, July 28, would be a good day for me to drive to Cornell to deliver the poultry materials that I have for the Cornell library. I would probably arrive there around 2 P.M.

If that date is not good for you, please let me know.

Sincerely,

S. Robert Powell
570-282-0385

PRESERVING

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By Loyl Stromberg

The National Poultry Museum was started in November 1994, when the first building was dedicated. It measures 24 by 42 feet, that is all paid for. The idea for it actually came from Holland where the first poultry museum opened in 1989 when my wife and I visited there. This gave me the idea that the United States also should have a poultry museum. Our first fund raising mailing was made in 1993. A year later enough funds came in for a building to be built late in 1994.

A visit there will prove most interesting, educational and provide some surprise. You will see many poultry equipments that you have never seen before. Something unusual is a special "cabinet" designed to keep records of eggs in a research project by the Iowa State College for the Fowl Typhoid Disease. Very few will remember the many bone crushers that were sold in the time period around the 1900's. There is also the Oats Sprouiter. Between these two the start of the first improved nutrition for chickens. A chick starter mash was not developed until the mid 1930's by the University of Wisconsin when my folks started their chicken hatchery a Conkey Feed was shipped to them by railroad from Ohio. Another surprise for you is the mechanical Device for delousing chickens. Not the most effective so it disappeared from the market when they invented the roost spread that was easy to apply.

There is a Buckeye coal burning stove. Some later would come the oil heated

brooder stove that eventually would lead to the electric brooders. We have an Oak "jig" for assembling the old wood egg causes. Most unusual is a home made barrel chicken picker. Then there is the unique device to expedite the blood testing of the breeders. Very few have seen a 3 deck Jamesway incubator, enhanced by 6 small table top incubators. The "Old Trusty" was one of the most popular of the small incubators that sold for only \$15.00. In 1902 over 200,000 small incubators were exported from the United States. There are many special pictures displayed that are most impressive. Two very special pictures are the result of Japanese silk thread art showing the Black Langshans. On display too is a variety of egg cases. One of these holds eggs in place by springs before the day of egg fillers. In the early days water fountains were made of crockery before the time of metal fountains. There are several old egg scales and a folding chicken catching coop. currently we have so much in storage that we are in need of a second building.

The National Poultry Museum is located 18 miles west of Kansas City off highway 70 at Bonners Springs, Kansas. For those who wish for more information they can call 1-913-721-1075.

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2009 News. I have visited over 100 Antique stores to buy many rare poultry items. Eventually after 15 years my collection took up over 3 rooms. We now have the 2nd building all paid for. So now this vast collection has been moved to Kansas to be displayed in 5 times for space. You will enjoy to see hundreds of historical items and poultry art. You will enjoy to see so much you have never seen before.

This museum appears to be more interested in "objects" than paper, although I have given them copies on microfilm of a large quantity of my poultry journals over the years.

Powell poultry papers to Cornell

Saturday, July 25, 2009, 9 P.M.

Judith Evelyn Wayno jew24@cornell.edu

Dear Mr. Powell,

Tuesday, the 28th would be fine. I have a reference desk shift from 2-3, so I will be right inside the main entrance to the library (to the left) at the Information and Research Help Desk when you arrive. If you need directions to the library, please let me know. If you plan to just drop off the materials, you can park your car right outside the library. Just put your flashers on. I'll look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Judy

Powell to Cornell on Tuesday

jew24@cornell.edu

07-26-09

Judy:

Thank you for your quick confirmation on my proposed travel plans to Ithaca on Tuesday, July 28. I'll be there.

Specific street directions to the Mann Library (from the main campus entrance) would be helpful.

It's been quite a while since I was last at Cornell. The last time I was there was in the spring/early summer of 2000 when, at the invitation of Dr. Tro V. Bui, Extension Specialist in the Poultry Extension program in the Department of Animal Science, I conducted the 2000 Cornell Poultry Judging School.

See you on Tuesday.

Sincerely,

Robert

New York State College of
Agriculture and Life Sciences

Department of Animal Science
Morrison Hall
Ithaca, NY 14853-4801

Facsimile: 607-255-9829

June 15, 2000

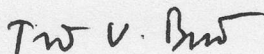
Dr. Robert Powell
RD 1 Box 40
Carbondale PA 18407

Dear Robert,

Thank you for your outstanding presentation at our 2000 Cornell Poultry Judging School. We have received very positive comments on this program.

We appreciate your interest and support to our Poultry Extension program and look forward to your future cooperation.

Sincerely,



Tro V. Bui, PhD
Extension Specialist

From: [s robert powell <srobertpowell@juno.com>](mailto:srobertpowell@juno.com) [Add to Address Book](#)

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Subject: RE: cornell assistance

Date: April 18, 2000 12:25:35 PM EDT

To: szarich@juno.com [Add to Address Book](#)

CC:

Yes, your assistance would be much appreciated. If you can bring birds in cages, that would be very helpful. My plan at present is to have a classroom-type presentation during the morning session, during which I will explain the APA's judging system (scale of points, defects, disqualifications, etc.). During the afternoon session, I would like to have a hands-on session, during which seminar participants would handle birds in a showroom-type situation.

I think it would be a good idea if we all coordinate everything through Dr. Bui.

Thanks for your offer to help.

S. Robert Powell

-----Original Message-----

From: szarich@juno.com

To: srobertpowell@juno.com

Sent: April 18, 2000 12:25:24 AM GMT

Subject: cornell assistance

I talked to Tro Bu today to see if you guys have gotten in contact. Will you need some assistance with anything. I am willing to help you with your presentation or in bringing birds or cages. Drop me a line if you do.

716 346-2669 or SZARICH@juno.com

S. Robert Powell

R. D. #1, Box 40, Carbondale, PA 18407-9706

srobertpowell@juno.com

Poultry Credentials

Director, American Poultry Association

District 2 (PA, NY, NJ, DE, MD, DC), 2000-2006

Licensed Poultry Judge, American Poultry Association

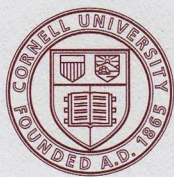
License # 1144, Standard and Bantam Chickens, July 15, 1998

Master Exhibitor #250, American Poultry Association, 1992

Grand Master Exhibitor/Breeder of Partridge Plymouth Rocks

American Poultry Association, November 14, 1998

Nationally recognized poultry journalist with scores of published articles on all aspects of poultry husbandry, history, and management



Cornell University
Albert R. Mann Library

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
College of Human Ecology
Ithaca, New York 14853-4301
t. 607.255.2285
www.mannlib.cornell.edu

August 31, 2009

S. Robert Powell
R.D. #1, Box 40
Carbondale, Pennsylvania 18407-9706

Dear Mr. Powell:

I am sorry I was not in the Library the day you were on campus to deliver your poultry collection to us. On behalf of Mann Library, I would like to extend our deepest thanks for this generous donation of your personal poultry collection consisting of 721 issues of *Poultry Press*, from the period 1943-2000, in two formats: (1) the original paper copies, all in good condition and most recently in archival storage conditions at the Historical Society In Carbondale, PA, and (2) microfilm (14 rolls, professionally produced for you by Microfilm Data Management Consultants, Wilkes-Barre, PA), 35 millimeter silver archival microfilm.

A collection such as this is an extraordinary gift to the library. It will be housed in our Special Collections, with an acknowledgment of your generous donation.

Thank you so much for entrusting our university with this wonderful archive of exhibition poultry history. It will serve as primary research material for present and future generations of poultry and agricultural historians.

With deepest thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marty Schlabach".

Marty L. Schlabach, Head
Collection Development

MLS:jrw

JHC38@cornell.edu

Attachment: 21.jpg (K/Poultry/Poultry Papers to Cornell)

09-08-09

John:

Thank you, again, for having opened the door for me to the poultry collections people at the Mann Library.

Attached is a copy of the very nice letter that I received today from Marty L. Schlabach in the Collection Department at the Mann Library.

On the Carbondale Historical Society front, some very interesting and exciting projects are underway in Carbondale these days. A newsletter will be posted/mailed in the next week or so.

Sincerely,

S. Robert Powell

September 9, 2009

Hi Robert,

I'm glad to hear that Cornell understood the significance of your donation, and that it's now somewhere that scholars can access it. It's very kind of you to donate it to the university.

I look forward to the newsletter!

Best regards,
John